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The "Albemarle Ghost."
[From the Native Virginian.]
Within sight of "Plainsboro," and about three hundred yards from the road, is the now famous house of Mr. Moon, where "the Albemarle ghost" has played his strange and daring pranks for over eighteen months. It got out of the ambulance and walked through the woods to take a good look at the house. It is situated some hundred and fifty yards from the woods, with nothing within that distance to obstruct the view on any side, and hence the great wonder that the rascal or rascals were able to carry on their pranks for so long a time without detection, and that too in defiance of often times from ten to twenty guards around the house. It is a notable fact, however, that whenever the students from the University come down, as they frequently did in large numbers, the "ghost" never made his appearance.

My opinion was, when I first read the account published a few months ago in the *Scottsville Register*, that the "ghost" was somebody who lived in the house or in the servant's quarters. Mr. Moon, whose acquaintance I had made in Charlottesville a year ago, and with whom I met in *Scottsville*, tells me that he believes negroes and perhaps some white men belonging to a band of horse thieves scattered through the neighborhood, to be at the bottom of this mischief. He showed me, however, a note which he had found tied to a fishing pole in his front porch a few days before. It read thus:—"I will not pester you any more Mr. Jack."

He thought this note, which was printed with a pencil in capital letters, came from a negro, because "Mr. or Master Jack" was the name given him by the negroes when he was a small boy, and because the J. in Jack was turned the wrong way.
After an examination of the note, I could not agree with him. It was written on very small note paper, ornamented with a flowered border in purple ink. Most of the letters were far too well executed to have come from the clumsy hand of a negro, who had recently been taught to write. Turning the J the wrong way was an after thought of the writer as he or she was writing the last word, and intended to mislead. "Ghost" was spelt correctly, but that Mr. Moon attributed to the fact that the negroes had so often seen the word printed in the *Scottsville Register*. But to me the conclusive part of the evidence was this: After the writer had finished writing in capital letters the words given above, there remained a long space between GHOST and the lower part of the purple flowered border. A portion was then cut out and the lower portion of the border placed to the upper and larger piece of paper, so that the border just enclosed neatly the promise, "I will not pester you any more Mr. Jack. Ghost."

The conclusion to my mind was irresistible, that the writer of the note was a woman, a white woman, and an educated woman. The "ghost" had kept the promise so far and had not disturbed Mr. Moon since the first of the note, which he had been annoyed, he would rather the ghost would keep up his (or her) tricks until caught and properly punished.

DOMESTIC WINES.—Take ripe tomatoes, cook them just enough to set the juice to flowing freely. To every gallon of juice add one gallon of water. To every gallon of the above mixture put three pounds of sugar, (white or brown, as preferred). Set it by to ferment. After the less sink to the bottom of the vessel, rack off, and add a little more sugar, if necessary. Clarify after the second fermentation, with singlass or white of eggs, as you prefer.

The above is a copy of a recipe given me by a lady of Lynchburg—now no more—who took great interest in everything of the kind. At the same time she gave me recipes for blackberry, currant and grape wine, in making of all which she excelled. I have partaken of three of these, and must say, that while I do not profess to be a judge of wines, they were, in my humble opinion, the best ever made in this State.

That of the tomato was exquisite both as to color and taste. It is proper to add, that with scarcely any variation, she made the blackberry, currant and tomato wine by the same recipe. That of the grape was different.—*Southern Planter and Farmer.*

CROP MADE WITH A COW.—There is a man living not far from Danville, who, when the war closed, finding himself without a horse, a mule, or even an old steer, hitched up his mule and made a good crop. He fed the mule high, and she not only plowed his land but gave milk for his table.

We get our information from a gentleman who has seen the crop of tobacco made by this enterprising gentleman, and he pronounces it very good.
We like to record instances of this kind, where men show true moral courage, energy and pluck. If all our people were animated with the same spirit, we should soon see a very different state of things from what we see now.—*Danville Times.*

SPECIAL NOTICES.

To Farmers and Planters.

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Several second-hand fine German Pianos, of less price, 6 octaves—every Piano warranted. Smith's celebrated Parlor and Church Organs. Having the experience of 16 years in tuning and repairing Pianos, Melodeons, &c., and still continuing my practice in the highest musical circle of Washington city, I can guarantee satisfaction to those who shall employ me.

Persons in the country wishing to have their Pianos tuned and repaired, will please correspond with me.

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Wareroom, 61, N. Washington st.

my 21—6m Cor. Queen, Alexandria, Va.

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Persons in want of any description of Lime, whether for agricultural or building purposes, will find it to their interest to encourage home manufacture. They will find my Lime cheap and of the best quality, and the best, it being burned in the latest improved kilns.

I also offer for sale, at like reasonable rates, all kinds of BUILDING BRICK, to be had at GERMAN & FRANCIS BRICK-YARD.

Orders may be left at the stores of J. Broders & Co., King street; E. H. Stabler, corner King and Washington streets; at the kiln, or my home, No. 56, south St. Asaph st.

my 21—6m **EMANUEL FRANCIS.**

COPARTNERSHIP NOTICE.

CZEPE ENGLISH is a partner in our house from this date. The business in future will be conducted under the firm name of **ENGLISH, PAUL & CO., Wholesale Grocers.**

my 1—6m **GREGORY & PAUL.**

COPARTNERSHIP NOTICE.

The undersigned have this day entered into copartnership, under the firm name of **GREGORY & ENGLISH**, as General Commission Merchants.

CZEPE ENGLISH.

Warehouse No. 29, cor. Water and King sts.

July 1, 1868—6m Alexandria, Va.

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275 tons SOFT PLASTER—cargo of schooner

201,000 SAWED LATHS—cargo of schooner

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WARRANTED GENUINE.

This Fertilizer has been in use twelve years, and each year has been improved in quality. Will insure a good crop on poor soil. At the same time it will improve the soil. No Manure can be more economical. Put up in Good Strong Bags of 125 pounds, each, and in barrels of about 250 lbs. each.

No charge for packages. Sold by

M. ELDRIDGE & CO.,

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ANALYSIS FOR

E. FRANK COE'S SUPERPHOSPHATE.

BALTIMORE, 67, South Gay st.,

September 26th, 1868.

REPORT

Of Analysis of E. F. Coe's Superphosphate of

Lime.

A sample of this, taken by myself, from a lot

of about two hundred tons, which was brought

into this market, was found upon Analysis to

be composed, as follows:

Of Biphosphate of Lime..... 19.97

containing of Phosphoric Acid..... 12.11

Water..... 4.77

Of Free Phosphoric Acid..... 3.03

containing of Phosphoric Acid..... 4.80

Water..... 1.82

Of Phosphate of Iron and Ammonia..... 0.34

Of Sulphate of Lime hydrated..... 40.06

Sulphuric Acid..... 18.63

Lime..... 13.04

Water..... 8.35

Of Alkaline Salts..... 0.41

Of Sand and Animal Carbon..... 7.52

Of Organic Matter, capable of producing

of Ammonia..... 3.65

Of Water as Moisture and Loss..... 15.87

100.00

BALTIMORE, August 3, 1868.

E. FRANK COE, esq.: Enclosed please find

result of my analysis of a sample of your Superphosphate of Lime.

This being such a superior article in every

respect, I cannot refrain from congratulating

you upon such manufacture, which undoubtedly

will meet with great success. Wishing you

every success, I am respectfully and sincerely

yours, [jy 24—6m] **G. A. LIEBIG.**

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(CAPITAL \$1,000,000.)

SOLUBLE PACIFIC GUANO.

The value of this GUANO is now so well-

known and appreciated, that it does not require

further commendation from us.

The Company owns the *Guano Islands*, and

other sources of supply from which its raw ma-

terial is drawn. Hence, this Guano, possessing

such high excellence, can be brought into mar-

ket at a price not exceeding that of the ordinary

Super-Phosphates of Lime.

The large capital invested by this Company

affords the surest guarantee of the continued ex-

cellence of their fertilizer, as the safety of their

capital depends upon continued and permanent

business.

Experience has shown that this Guano ripens

the Wheat crop from five to six days earlier

than the Super-Phosphates.

It is the policy and purpose of the Company

to furnish the best fertilizer that enterprise

and capital, aided by the best scientific ability,

can bring into market, at the lowest possible

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Music sent by mail at publishers' prices, free of any additional expense.

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and chorus, words by Letta C. Lord, music by

George F. Root, 35c.

Mother Hear the Angels Singing, song and

chorus, music by Frank H. King, 30c.

Mabel Wilde, song and chorus, words by

Dexter Smith, music by Fred Buckley, 35c.

Nora O'Neil, song and chorus, by William

S. Hays, 40c.

The Old School House, a Dream of By-gone

Days, poem by Dexter Smith, music by Jean

Roster, 50c.

The Old Cottage, written by William Dexter

Smith, music by George Dana, 35c.

Oh! my Love, song, by Jean Ingelow,

music by Dolores, 35c.

Quarter to One, or Look at the Clock, Darling,

written and composed by W. C. Baker, 35c.

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and composed by Harry Clifton, 30c.

Queen of Summer, words by Miss Maggie

Williams, music by E. Mack, 40c.

Ring the Bell Softly, song and chorus, words

by W. Dexter Smith, jr., music by E. M. Cat-

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Music sent by mail, free of postage, on re-

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tended to promptly.

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Advice to a Wife on the Management of her

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of the Royal College of Surgeons of England;

eighth edition; \$1.50.

The Maternal Management of Infancy, for

the use of parents, by F. H. Getchell, M. D.,

Fellow of the College of Physicians of Phila-

delphia, etc.; 1 vol.; 75c.

Thorn Fruit, by Clifford Lanier, of Georgia;

50c.

Cratford, by a Southern Lady; 50c.

Not a Hero, by Mrs. Eliza Letitia Pugh, of

Louisiana; 50c.

The Moonstone, by Wilkie Collins; illustrated,

\$1.50.

Shird, by the author of "Omoo;" 75c.

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comic illustrations; \$1.50.

The Collier Barn, or the Collegians; 25c.

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by William Tallack; English edition, \$1.25.

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TO WHEAT GROWERS.

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SUPER-PHOSPHATE OF LIME,

which I can recommend as a Fertilizer having

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Bone Dust, warranted pure.

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